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REMARKS

In the rejected Preliminary Amendment filed on January 13, 2005, it is apparent that due to minor typographical errors and inadvertent oversight, a number of the amended claims did not have the required modifier "currently amended". Some of the claims were correctly identified with "currently amended" whereas others were mistakenly marked with "amended".

Undersigned has no excuse except that through innocent oversight, the inconsistencies were not caught.

Since these claims have not yet been examined or subsequently amended and the Preliminary Amendment was non-compliant and apparently not entered, undersigned respectfully submits that under the circumstances, the notation "currently amended" is both clear and appropriate for all the amended claims in this Supplemental Preliminary Amendment. In other words, it is not necessary to utilize "previously presented".

Accordingly, this Supplemental Preliminary Amendment, which is not believed to add new matter to the application, is offered as a substitute for the now canceled original Preliminary Amendment.

Undersigned apologizes for the inadvertent typographical errors and for the additional

work required.

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Respectfully submitted,

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